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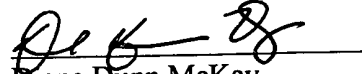
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby brings to the attention of the United States Patent and Trademark Office the following documents of which Applicant has been made aware. The documents are listed on the attached PTO Form 1449. Copies of the documents are enclosed.

It is noted that U.S. Patent No. 4,418,045 corresponds to Japanese Patent JP A57-58012.

Applicant submits that this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within six months of the filing date.

It is requested that the references be considered by the Examiner and be made of record as part of the available prior art under 37 C.F.R. § 1.104.

Respectfully submitted,

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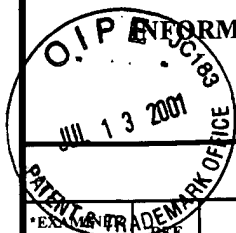
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		4,418,045	11/29/83	TAKAHISA, ET AL.			

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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							YES	NO
		JP-A-57-58012	11/29/83	JAPAN				

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